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REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE R.34'S WONDERFUL FLIGHT.

A MEMORABLE AND UNIQUE VOYAGE.

London, July 13. The Air Ministry states:—R.34 was first sighted at about 15 miles north of Fulham at 5.56 this morning, Greenwich time, heading almost due east. Turning south she circled over Fulham at 6.22 at 800 feet, landing safely 6.56.

THE COMMANDER INTERVIEWED.

London, July 13. Major Scott, in an interview, stated that the journey of R.34 from America took 75 hours and three minutes. She had 1,000 gallons of petrol left.

Numerous telegrams of congratulations were sent to R.34. H. M. the King telegraphed hearty congratulations on the completion of a memorable and unique voyage.

"AIRSHIPS HAVE A WONDERFUL FUTURE."

London, July 13. Major Scott, the Commander of R.34, interviewed, expressed the opinion that the most striking fact was that the return journey was "safely accomplished, despite the most adverse and difficult weather conditions experienced, particularly on the outward voyage. He declared that he made an excellent landing at Fulham and had 1,000 gallons of petrol left. The airship was undoubtedly the type for Overseas work. With a larger craft, a speed of 70 to 80 miles could be maintained. Moreover, he was convinced that airships, which have a wonderful future, would be used commercially for the longest journeys and would not conflict with aeroplanes, which would be complementary to them. Airships were extremely comfortable to travel in and there was no feeling of sea-sickness. The Americans were most impressed by the voyage and realised the commercial possibilities of linking up Great Britain and America.

A VERY INTERESTING LOG.

London, July 13. The Air Ministry states:—The official log of the voyage of R.34 states:—"We left Mineola in darkness and with a gusty south-west wind, travelling about 30 miles per hour, with an extremely good 'get-away,' considering the difficulties. Four thousand six hundred gallons of petrol were on board. We steered straight for New York. The city at midnight looked like a wonderful and veritable fairyland with miles and miles of tiny, bright and twinkly lights. Searchlights at first very unsuccessfully searched for the airship, but we finally got it fair and square. The Times Square at Broadway was a remarkable sight. Despite the early hour of one o'clock in the morning thousands turned up and the faces were distinctly seen. The whole scene was lit by gigantic electrical signs. The air over New York was very disturbed owing to an approaching cyclone from the Great Lakes, also the heat rising from the city itself, but the airship rode very steadily."

R.34 headed homewards at 1.10 in the morning at a speed of nearly 74 miles an hour. The weather was decidedly favourable. We were getting the full benefit of 35 knots of the south-west wind. We crossed the American coast at 12.30 this morning with four out of five engines running, the fifth being stopped. In the morning we had already covered 430 miles from New York. Our mails were sorted and there was quite a large collection of parcels and letters, including some for H. M. the King, the Foreign Office, the Admiralty, the Postmaster-General and many copies of the *Public Ledger* for the Editor of the *Times*. At 10.45 in the morning we were now making 83 miles per hour on four engines. The forward engine stopped.

"At 4.50 in the afternoon we had covered 900 miles from New York in 16 hours with a petrol consumption of a gallon a mile. At 6.15 we sighted a five-masted schooner on the starboard beam, five miles away. At 4.20 in the morning one engine completely broke down. We were going at a speed of 26 knots with three engines. At 6.40 in the morning we descended to 600 feet to get under the clouds but, finding there was a northerly wind replacing the warm air rising from the Gulf Stream we kept at 3,000 feet, where there was a steady south-west wind."

The Log continues as follows:—"At noon the weather report of the Air Ministry says:—"Anti-cyclone off south-west of Ireland so we change our course more northward in order to get the west wind which must be blowing northwards of it. At 4.30 in the afternoon, owing to thick clouds extending right down to the water, we have not seen the sea since 6.30 this morning, so there are no means of telling our speed. At five o'clock in the afternoon, we picked up a wireless from H. M. S. Cumberland. At 7.5 in the evening—heavy rain since five o'clock; very cold and dark. All windows and doors shut."

"At 8.45—We dropped a calcium flare. Cooke took directions, and picked up an East Fortune wireless, distant 1,100 miles. At midnight rain was pouring down.

"12.7—At three o'clock in the morning a magnificent sunrise. The sun appeared above the clouds in a blaze of colours impressing the crew. At six o'clock in the morning we were 76 miles from East Fortune, running on three engines at a speed of 32 knots. The clouds below look like the gigantic, soft, springy, fleecy white feathers of the bed. The cause was strange. There was an irresistible feeling of wishing to jump down into them."

"10.55 in the morning—At a height of 5,000 feet. Now over the big cloud gap, 26 miles across the clear blue sky and sea without a sign of ship, making 35 knots.

"11.25 in the morning—We wirelessed Clifden with directional finding. The apparatus was cold."

"At noon—Anxious to land. The strain beginning to tell. A north-easter prevents making more than 28 knots per hour."

"At 12.30 in the afternoon we were at a height of 5,000 feet with a clear blue sky and a deep blue sea. The visibility at the maximum of this height that we can see is 81 miles, or an area of 19,200 square miles, but no ship is visible."

"5.30—Great excitement. Two trawlers sighted, which look very tiny. We speak with an Aldis lamp, but there is no reply. We are now down to 3,000 feet with a very marked difference in the temperature, doing 32 knots. Cooke considers it impossible to gauge the position of the mid-Atlantic within a 20 mile margin in an airship."

"6.50 in the evening—A sudden squall, ship very steady, doing 1,600 revolutions with one out of four engines.

"7.25—We land on the starboard bow. There is great enthusiasm. We alter our course to get out a large chart. There is keen competition to see who will fix the exact spot. When we cross the coast we see two islets ahead. With glasses we see a wireless mast at Clifden. The islets are the same that appeared out of the fog to the delighted gaze of Alcock and Brown. It is a happy coincidence."

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE AUSTRIAN TREATY.

RENUNCIATIONS IN FAVOUR OF CHINA.

Paris, July 13. The Chief Austrian Delegate, in replying to the presentation of the peace terms, made a generally favourable impression, pleading eloquently that the new Austrian Republic could not be compared with the successor of the Hapsburg Monarchy but was willing to acknowledge the principle that a change of Government does not relieve the State of responsibility, Austria being ready to assume her dreadful inheritance.

Austria renounces in favour of China all privileges and indemnities resulting from the Boxer Protocol of 1901, all buildings, barracks, and ships' wireless plant in the Austrian Concession of Tientsin to be opened to international use.

Austria declares that all Treaties with Siam are abolished as from July 22, 1917, Austrian State property becoming Siam's—Haus.

SIAMESE MINISTER MEETS KING GEORGE.

London, July 14. H. M. the King has granted an audience to the Siamese Minister who presented a letter of credentials.

THE ROYAL DUTCH COMPANY.

London, July 14. The Royal Dutch Company, which is increasing its share capital from 230,000,000 to 400,000,000 florins, is issuing 42,763,600 florins worth of new shares at par. Each holder of four shares is entitled to subscribe one new share.

ALLIED WAR MEMORIAL.

INTERNATIONAL GARDEN CITY.

Brussels, July 13. An Inter-Allied Committee, enquiring into the question of a War Memorial, recommends the foundation of an International Garden City, named "Geopoli" in Belgium, which should be neutralised and might eventually become the permanent seat of the League of Nations.

PARIS INDUSTRIAL TROUBLES.

Paris, July 13. Trouble is threatening in Paris in the metallurgical industry. Workers in the clothing and millinery trades are already out, and the tubes have stopped. Generally speaking, the employers accept the eight-hour day but are resisting the workmen's demand for increased rates.—Havas.

THE RHINELAND REPUBLIC.

Paris, July 13. Mistrust is prevalent in Paris at the proclamation of the Rhineland Republic. If sincere, it would be the most important news from Germany since November last.—Havas.

WARNING TO BELA KUN.

Paris, July 13. The Allies have telegraphed Bela Kun that they cannot treat with him so long as the Armistice is unfulfilled.

ANOTHER ATLANTIC FLIGHT.

St. Johns, July 12. The Martinsyde aeroplane, while being moved to the flying ground preparatory to an immediate trans-Atlantic flight, burst a tyre, necessitating the postponement of the flight till to-morrow.

GERMAN CABINET CHANGES.

Copenhagen, July 12. A message from Berlin says the Cabinet members Herr Wissel and Moellendorf have resigned in connection with trade questions. Herr Robert Schmidt has accepted the Economic portfolio vice Herr Wissel.

"At 8 o'clock in the evening we cross the coast line north of Clifden. The time from the American coast is 61 hours 33 minutes. We head over the mountains, which are 2,900 feet. There is a wild, rugged coastline. The magnificent cloud in the panorama appears throughout to peep out of the tops of the mountains, while through the gaps we see lakes, harbours, islands and green fields. It is the prettiest picture we have seen on the entire voyage. We now realise that we should have a more northerly course after leaving the helpful influence of the Newfoundland depression. Undoubtedly Captains of air liners in future will be acquainted with the art of selecting the right way and the right height, and often by making wide detours will save many hours."

"At 11.20 in the evening:—The Air Ministry sent a wireless to land at Clifden. We ask to land at East Fortune as the weather is reported to be good. Their reply is "Land at Clifden." We assume you there is special reason for it."

"13.7—At one o'clock in the morning at a height of 5,000 feet we pass over the Isle of Man and Liverpool.

"2.45—We pass Derby.

"3.55—We pass Nottingham.

"4.15—We get wireless communications from His Majesty.

"5.30 in the morning—We pass over Pulteney.

"6.57—The total time for the return from Clifden to London is 10 hours and three minutes."

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE EGYPTIAN DISTURBANCES.

THREE RINGLEADERS HANGED.

Cairo, July 2. Three ringleaders in the murder of the English railway official Mr. Smith, at El-Mata, on March 15 have been hanged, and two others sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment for life, and two years respectively.

SOME SENTENCES COMMUTED.

Cairo, July 2. The Premier states that out of fifty-one death sentences by Military Courts in connection with the recent disturbances, one man has been pardoned and ten sentences commuted. On the intervention of the Premier, the Commander-in-Chief commuted six other sentences and promised that the Military Courts should cease to function on July 15, except in connection with attacks on members of His Majesty's forces. Those interested in political grounds would be released and the censorship on outward correspondence abolished.

TO-DAY'S CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

THE TSINGTAO QUESTION.

Peking, July 17.

The British, French and American Governments much regret China's refusal to sign the Treaty and intend to make a compromise between China and Japan, proposing that the Shantung question should be negotiated between the two nations concerned, but Luk Ching-chong suggests that any documents in regard to the matter must be counter-signed by British, French and American delegates as guarantees, but neither Japan nor the three Powers have agreed to this.

KOWLOON NOTES.

In the Junior Tennis League K.C.C. played the C.R.C. on Wednesday evening, the former winning by seven points. On Wednesday evening K.C.C. (B) met Queen's College, the latter winning by a large margin.

We would remind Kowloonites that the K.C.C. at Home will be held to members and friends on Sunday evening from 9 till 11. A band will be in attendance and an enjoyable evening is anticipated.

A new discovery in accelerated growth of flora was made in Kowloon last night. What at first sight appears to be a fully-grown palm tree, sprang up within a few hours, just outside the Ferry wharf and was the subject of considerable controversy on the morning ferries. We have made enquiries from well known local botanists and learn that the specimen is not unknown, although very rare. The botanical name is *Whirkusia Whifflit* and it is celebrated for its rapid growth. Lack of space prevents us giving further details.

We learn that so far, no appointment has been made in connection with the recommendation of the Sanitary Board for an all-time Sanitary Inspector for Kowloon. No doubt the authorities are awaiting the arrival of the new Governor before deciding this weighty matter.

We learn that the Station Hotel is about to change hands and that the Hotel will, in future, probably be under the management of Mr. W. Stewart.

The preparations for the great approach of four rickshas at a time instead of two. This work is now in hand, but it appears to us that the enlargement of the shelter will not remedy the fearful "mix-up" which occurs every time a ferry lands a batch of passengers. Where regulation is most needed is not over the method of leaving the shelter but in the actual taking of passengers. As matters now stand, indescribable confusion rules.

There is also another point which any enlargement of the shelter will not remedy and that is the "barracking" that goes on each time a ferry arrives. The air is filled with cat calls, and every conceivable noise that these lusty lunged coolies are capable of producing and this, coupled with general scramble immediately outside the wharf, creates a scene of pandemonium that must be witnessed to be believed.

Some kind of regulation, other than the enlargement of the shelter is needed, especially if it is intended to allow the coolies to leave the shelter in larger numbers than heretofore, for under present conditions this arrangement will make confusion worse confounded. One thing we would point out and that is an Indian constable is no good for the job of keeping order, indeed he comes in for more of the "chilling" than anybody else. A rickshaw will leave the stand out of his turn or do something against the regulations whereupon the Indian constable will have to go through the whole lot of rickshaws who makes up the crew.

We published details of the week's events in this paper, and the following are the chief points of interest:

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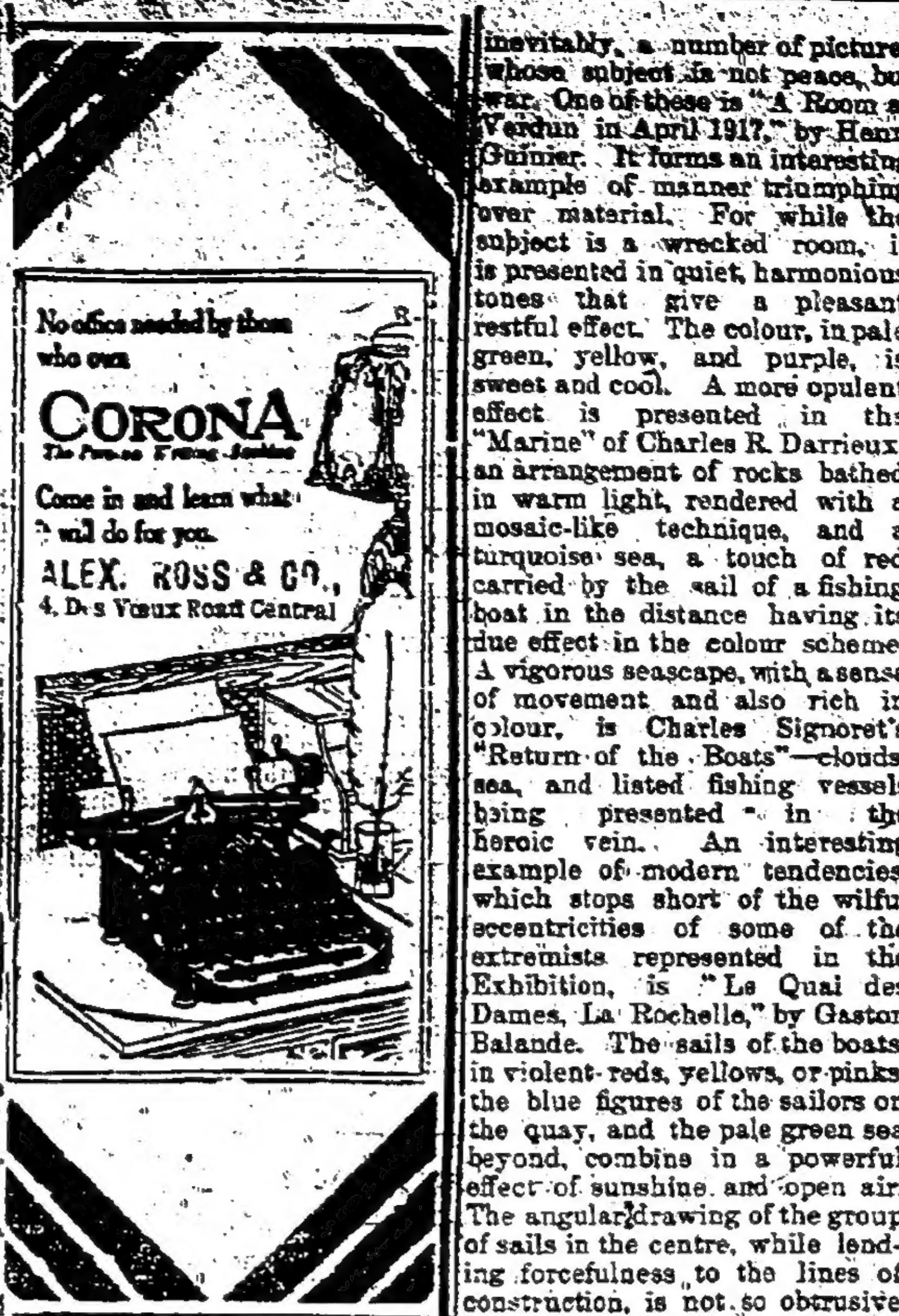
THE PARIS SALON.

FIGURE, LANDSCAPES
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Figure pictures are prominent in the Exhibition of the Societe des Artistes Francais, held in the Grand Palais of Paris recently. The figure subjects, like most other features of the Exhibition, are in considerable diversity. Quite a number of the figure painters have evidently allowed zeal to run away with discretion in their efforts to secure something novel and striking in the way of pose. The result is often grotesque, and suggests more than anything else the contortionist. In some cases, on the other hand, there is a gracefulness and flow of line combined with freedom from the conventional which, natural and convincing in its arrangement, produces an altogether pleasing effect. Such, for example, is the study of the nude figure of a girl playing a flageolet in a half-sitting posture by E. Fouquerat, which he entitles "Homages aux Vainqueurs." The dispositions of the figures is well balanced and graceful, and fills the canvas satisfactorily without overcrowding. Other painters have aimed rather at rendition of character, combined with decorative effect, than the purely decorative disposition of the figure. One of the best examples of the latter class is the "Mauvais Jour, 1918," by Jules Grun. Prominent in the foreground of a street scene are a Frenchwoman, wearing a black and white plaid shawl, and her small boy, whom she holds by the hand. There are remarkable delicacy and force in the rendering of the boy's face, with its bright and alert expression. The "1918" feature of the picture consists in the blue uniform of soldiers in the background. The decorative effect is striking without being over-obtrusive, and the colour is bold and at the same time harmonious. The picture is a forceful rendering of an ordinary street effect free from any anecdotal diversion or subjective sentimentality.

There is, on the other hand, an obtrusive suggestion of the pose in the "Portrait of Madame L. in Turkish Costume," by Ferdinand Humbert, member of the Institute, which is prominent in one of the rooms, and one of five portraits by the same artist. A feeling of constraint is almost suggested on the part of the lady as appearing in a costume for which her personality suggests no affinity. An adventitious aid to the Turkish atmosphere is the introduction of the crescent moon in the decorative background. Much more convincing and attractive is M. Humbert's portrait of Madame Lefebvre-Glaize, an elderly, white-haired lady in black lace dress, whose sweet, kindly, and mellow personality is rendered with admirable simplicity and sympathy. Gustave Pierre's large figure picture, "Mouvement de Troupes," has a striking and original features, and is piquant and arresting rather than alluring. The pale-blue of the French soldiers' uniforms dominates the colour scheme; but it is the disposition and *tenue* of the crowding figures which produce an unusual and to some extent stimulating result. The two lines of troops, passing in opposite directions, are disposed with a curious diagonal effect of composition; the same face is repeated throughout the large canvas, and the faces are all turned to concentrate on the spectator. An effect is produced which subtly conveys crowded movement and disciplined order more forcefully than would be possible with a more liberal treatment of the subject. More objectively and directly realistic is "Le Poilu de la Lauch," by J. F. Boucher, a soldier on sentry duty in a snowy setting which feels cold and desolate. Another figure picture, realistic and classical in feeling rather than modern and realistic, but relating the classical idea to modern existence, is "Les Amours" by Joseph-Marius Avy. The spacing of the picture is an important element in its effect. A lady with a green turban head-dress and rose-coloured shawl, over a grey costume, with her companion, who carries a guitar, both figures in their attire and deportment notably modern in spite of the turban and the musical instrument stand at one side, looking with amazement into the palms of five circular hands, the fingers of which are the heads of a large number of small figures, including a soldier, a woman, and a child.

Inevitably, a number of pictures whose subject is not peace, but war. One of these is "A Room at Verdun in April 1917," by Henri Guinier. It forms an interesting example of manner triumphing over material. For, while the subject is a wrecked room, it is presented in quiet harmonious tones that give a pleasant restful effect. The colour, in pale green, yellow, and purple, is sweet and cool. A more opulent effect is presented in the "Marine" of Charles R. Darrieux, an arrangement of rocks bathed in warm light, rendered with a mosaic-like technique, and a turquoise sea, a touch of red carried by the sail of a fishing boat in the distance having its due effect in the colour scheme. A vigorous seascape, with a sense of movement and also rich in colour, is Charles Signoret's "Return of the Boats"—clouds, sea, and listed fishing vessels being presented in the heroic vein. An interesting example of modern tendencies, which stops short of the wilful eccentricities of some of the extremists represented in the Exhibition, is "Le Quai des Dames, La Rochelle," by Gaston Balande. The sails of the boats, in violent reds, yellows, or pinks, the blue figures of the sailors on the quay, and the pale green sea beyond, combine in a powerful effect of sunshine and open air. The angular drawing of the group of sails in the centre, while lending forcefulness to the lines of construction, is not so obtrusive as to the extent that it destroys conviction, repellent as in some of the other pictures in which cubist influence is apparent. There are in the Exhibition several interesting renditions of still life in different manners—including Edmond Suau's arrangement of mussels, crab, and lemon, in which black plays an important part in the colour effect, and Mlle. M. G. Royer's less articulate and more imaginative rendering of "Nature Morte." The decorative motive, in one example "Iris d'Eau," by E. Quost, has overflowed the canvas into the frame, which is in blue and gold to echo the yellow lilies and the blue background the picture—*The Sunbeam*.



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VICTORY.

To-morrow, the 19th instant, is the day set apart, by request of His Majesty the King, for the celebration throughout the British Empire of the great victory won by the Allies over the forces of evil and destruction as typified more particularly by German Militarism. We in Hongkong are beginning our celebrations to-night in order that as much as possible of the original programme may be carried through, but the main events occur to-morrow, when we shall have the happy thought that we are simultaneously joining with millions of other British subjects in rejoicing over the triumph of a great cause in the defence of which the Empire has played such a magnificent and noble part. This will be Britain's Day, and in our celebration of it we shall think especially of all that the peoples of our great commonwealth of free states have done to make the observance of such an occasion possible.

The generously striking appearance of Hongkong's streets and buildings to-day in some outward indication of the spirit of gladness which fills us at this time. The whole community has set to work over this business of decoration and illumination with such enthusiasm and in such a generous spirit that the result is something of which the Colony may be justifiably proud. No place in the world better lends itself to decorative treatment than this rocky island rising up out of the sea as it were, and the sights which we shall see to-night and to-morrow will be such that time will not blot them out of our memories. Carping critics may be inclined to say that the money spent on these outward manifestations of joy might be put to better uses. If the Colony had not done its part in the war, we should be inclined to agree. But Hongkong, for its size and population, has no mean war record to its credit. In men, money and work it has done magnificently, and it is only right and fitting that it should now demonstrate its thankfulness in this popular manner, which, incidentally, is bound to impress the native population of the importance and significance which we attach to the historic event which we are celebrating. Much of the money, too, has been generously subscribed by firms and individuals, who are anxious to see the Colony make a brave show on this occasion, the like of which we may never celebrate again.

The idea was expressed to us the other day that there is too much prominence given to "Peace" in these Hongkong celebrations—that it is "Victory" that we are celebrating, and that as the Allies are the victors in this, this term should have been officially used throughout. Well, there is something in the idea. We Allied nations are not the peace-seekers (in the sense that we have not had to sue for it), but we are the peace-makers, at any rate. By the force of our arms in a righteous cause we have brought peace to the world. And that is the sense, of course, in which we are the world. All the same, it is good that we should think of the great victory which we have won in the war of destruction. We can be thankful for peace, but we can also remember the victory, and the stem which it has brought to the world. And we have further cause for thankfulness in this fact that the Emperor of Japan, who has been a great and strong ally of ours, has issued a manifesto in which he has called on the people of Japan to "forget the past, and to look forward to the future with a spirit of peace and good will."

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

CHILDREN'S CELEBRATIONS.

The letter from "Magister" which appeared in our issue of yesterday regarding the entertainment of children in connection with the Peace Celebrations, contains certain definite statements which put quite a different light on the matter. When we wrote that "we see no need for anxiety over the matter," we based our comment on the statement given out to the Press by the Peace Celebrations Publicity Committee that "a grant of money is to be made to each school." The italics are ours. There was no mention in that statement of any differentiation between Government and other schools. "Magister" now asserts that sums of money are not being granted to all registered schools even, but only to Government schools. If that is so, we have no hesitation whatever in saying that the decision is both unjust and uncalled for. Scholars are scholars whether they attend a Government or any other school. But it looks as though in this instance it is felt that only those boys and girls who attend a Government institution are considered worthy of being borne in mind. The enjoyment which is to be provided the children is in the nature of a tangible remembrance of the Allied victory—something that the little ones will, we hope, keep in mind all through their lives. Then why should not every scholar in the Colony have a share in the celebrations? To deny them this, would be an act in a bigoted and altogether impolitic manner.

RAILWAY ACCIDENTS.

We remember once seeing an illustration of some easy-going Chinese lying asleep across railway metals in North China, and this was issued in order to show how stoical and indifferent to danger the Chinese are. This incident is called to mind by the figures contained in the annual report of the Kowloon-Canton Railway showing the number of accidents during the year. Happily, however, they were few, there being four lives lost, four cases of slight injury and one injury of a serious character. That is extremely satisfactory, seeing that the railway runs through territory where many of the natives are of the ignorant type and do not take particular pains about ensuring their own safety. But accidents are always liable to happen on railways, and for that reason we note with gratification that a series of lectures on First Aid is being given to the staff of our own little railroad. These are given by the Traffic Inspector, an ex-Navy man well versed in this most useful subject, under the direction of the Railway Medical Officer. Throughout the line there are now trained officers qualified, in cases of accident or sudden illness, to render skilled assistance. We are glad to give publicity to these facts, for they show the inauguration of a most sensible idea which reflects great credit on the management of the railway.

FRUIT CULTIVATION.

There are many parts of the Colony of Hongkong which are quite unknown to large numbers of residents here and which they have never seen and possibly never will. Lamma Island is one of these. It is even larger in size than Hongkong Island. It seems to be a little Paradise, for we read in the annual report of the Southern District Officer that not a single crime was reported to the Police from the island during 1918. There are some other facts mentioned in the report which are deserving of being brought into prominence. We read, for example, that various primeval plantations exist on the island, and that these produced about three thousand fruit last year. The District Officer is of opinion that the cultivation of this fruit might receive more attention than it does in other parts of the New Territories. There are no doubt great possibilities for the development of the fruit industry in these territories, provided the matter is taken in hand on a systematic basis. In Canton, the fruit trade is a speciality in itself, and there are many fruit-growing districts in the province of Kwangtung, where the fruit is of a high quality and is well known throughout the world.

The idea of fruit cultivation in Hongkong is not a new one. It has been practised for many years, and the

DAY BY DAY.

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The a.s. Chenan arrived here yesterday from Tsingtao, Shanghai and Swatow with 35 saloon and steerage passengers and a general cargo.

We are asked to state that all persons attending the receptions at Government House to-morrow should wear ordinary dress if they do not possess uniform, levees or morning dress.

The festival of St. Vincent de Paul falls on Saturday, thus synchronising with the peace celebrations. In view of this fact, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul intends giving an extra allowance to all the poor on its list. The festival will be observed on Sunday.

Two Chinese who have been arrested in connection with the murder of the Chinese, Li Kwan, by throwing him into the sea at Appachen were to-day brought before Mr. R. E. Lindsell and remanded until Friday next. A further charge preferred against one of the prisoners was that he assisted the culprits to escape.

Amongst those who were present at the meeting held in the office of the Hon. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., for the purpose of considering the presentation of an address of welcome to Sir Reginald Stubbs, G.C.M.G., on his arrival in the Colony, was Mr. D. K. Moes, the popular taipan of Messrs. Alex. Rees and Co.

A notice by the Hon. Mr. E. D. Wolfe, Captain Superintendent of Police, warns the public not to throw lighted matches, cigar or cigarette ends over the verandahs of any building during the Peace Celebrations as these may fall on the temporary stands and set them on fire and cause a very serious disaster. It is further notified that Chinese and Japanese lanterns are not to be hung in any place adjacent to sunblinds in verandahs or elsewhere as such action may result in setting the buildings on fire.

Six men, with their faces masked, and holding daggers in their hands, at 120, this morning broke into a confectionery dealers house in Ma Lung Kung Village, at Sam Sui Po, and stole \$70 in money and some jewellery. Four men and two women who were in the house at the time were bound up by the robbers. Some time after the departure of the robbers, a Chinese was arrested on the road coming from Kowloon by the Police who had been notified of the robbery, and kept a watch on the various roads leading from the village. A sum of \$7 was found in the man's possession, this money being supposed by the Police to be a part of the robbers' haul.

HE CANTON STRIKE.

EUROPEAN LADY'S EXPERIENCE.

A European lady of Hongkong who was living on the Shameen in Canton for some time had an unpleasant experience when coming to Hongkong. She left her home on the Shameen and then proceeded in a ricksha to catch the train to Hongkong. The ricksha was stopped by a man, a thief, and the thief, according to the lady, was a Chinese. The thief, who was armed with a knife, demanded the lady's purse, and when she refused to give it, he struck her in the face. The lady then got out of the ricksha and walked to the station, where she was met by a police officer who

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BOBBIE'S LETTER.

TO HIS NEPHEW AT HOME

Hongkong, 16th July, 1919.

Dear Alick,—I saw the trial run of the *jeu de joie* on the Murray Parade Ground yesterday morning. A fine body of men as our late Governor was wont to say, and bar accidents the *feu* should go off like a string of crackers on Saturday morning. Of course even the best bunch of fireworks has damp spots in it where it takes a breather, so to speak, before finally rattling down the strait. The Indians, I noticed, were stronger on the *feu* than the *joie* for their rear rank were a bit disinclined to send the *feu* on its return journey to the discomfort of the rest left wi' their arms at the "present." It takes training to keep that sort of thing up. The Indians were very good for all that but for that matter should be, for drill is their middle name and they have plenty of time to do it.

I couldn't help but think that as regards the Defence Corps unit, their treatment last Tuesday was much on all fours wi' the way they had to carry on during the war. There they were, jerked out of their beds at an unearthly hour of the morning just to fit in wi' the hours of parade of other regular units. After the show was over, I suppose the regulars called it a day and lay back for the next twenty four hours. But our fireside soldiers couldn't do that. Many of them hadn't even time to go home and change their togs. Nine o'clock would see them at their desks as usual, getting on wi' the good work. It was the same during the war. Maske whether it was the Lights, Engineers or Guards, they had to roll up the next morning wi' the rest and counted themselves lucky if they hadn't a drill to put in the same evening. And there was no fool piggin about it either, for offices were short-staffed in those days, and the taipan had an awkward knock of wanting to know all about it if on occasion his sub-

VICTORY AND PEACE!

Above, below, betwixt, between, we're competing with the moon; Old Hongkong's gay with bunting and light, not to mention Kowloon. The cocktails flow, gin smashes foam, "Gluck thic ye, ole bean," Who did your bit to beat the Hun and lick him good and keen.

The Hun has got it in the neck, he's crawling in the mud. He's a dirty, nasty thing, though at fighting not a dud. It's up to you keep him there; he'll either out if he dare, So Hong-kongites do your bit and Keep The Blighter There.

To-night we're having scenes of war, a' painted on the sky By whizzing rockets, bursting bombs and Catherine wheels on high. The Portuguese shout out "Oh my! Chinese are in a whirl, And each young feller seizes his chance to squeeze the "only" girl.

We've won the Victory, let's have Peace—for that we fought to win Let's work and play together, boys, and not forget the girl! There are things to esp., there are things to save,—good deal more than pel. So keep the British spirit strong and—the sod'll look after itself!

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But my, but a severe criticism of argument in those propounding days. Miracles are a bit thin of data. For that matter, so it seems, anyway, now, the fact remains that America has produced no serious political influence of the states, so as regards intoxicants. Politicians waited on a lead, fearful as to which direction the cat would jump. It wasn't good form for the rich man to defend the extinction of his private comfort; the poor man wished he was wealthy enough to have the influence to protest, and the man with the influence was afraid to squeal outside the privacy of his home in case his interests would in any way be injured. No one had the moral courage to come out flat-footed and advocate a measure permitting the sale of liquor. The fact of the matter is that most humans are a lot of humbugs. Society is founded on humbug—not vulgar, humbug, mind ye, but refined humbug. What should keep society together is the necessity of order, mutual help and forbearance. What really does it together is the fear of the police and what the folks next door will think and say, and whether it will pay to do this or to do that.

Drunkenness is without doubt a very terrible thing. It has blotted out many a bright young life. Through it many a vigorous brain has been reduced to drivelling senility. Often the foster parent o' crime, over indulgence in John Barleycorn has also desolated many a home. It has done in short all that was ever said of it in the Band of Hope meetings of our youth.

But after all is said and done in this matter of prohibition, drunkenness is not the point. The drunkard isn't by a long way in the foreground of the perspective of the social picture. For his miserable sake the Prohibitionist would destroy much of the comfort of the home and the amenity of social life. Of all the minor comforts of life from the cradle to the grave, beer and baccy are easily first. Their prohibition will only cause the drunkard to drink illicit poison in place of honest beer.

Teetotal tales of the dreadful consequences of alcohol upon the human body are, at the best, an exaggeration of the truth. Alcohol consumed as everything in the way of food or drink ought to be consumed—that is, temperately—does not exercise any serious defect on the human system. As a mental stimulant it has tea, coffee, and lemonade beaten on the mark.

As Burns says about Drink "Thou clears the head o' doted Lear; Thou cheers the heart o' drooping Care; Thou strings the nerves o' Labour fair."

At's weary toil: Thou even brightens dark Despair.

Wi' gloomy smile, and the next post-war development problem the Government should tackle is the reconstruction or abolition of the Coolie Express system. Man, I sent a chit to a chap the other day and marked it urgent twice and told the coolie to *faitee* in three different languages. About an hour later, on the way back from the Club, where I had gone to hear the latest about the Peace Celebrations, I took it into my head to go and see the chap I had sent the rush chit to but it didn't take three shakes o' a lamb's tail for me to see that I was an easy first. As it was a message I thought was first best softened by writing I left it at that but promised myself the pleasure o' firing you coolie three times running, but no' mind ye, till after I had given him a rough outline o' the delinquencies o' his ancestors unto the third and fourth generation. On the road back I nearly fell over the un-washed pup sitting to leeward of a gambling school in Chater Road wi' my chit between his toes and his mouth full of noise and melon seeds. Not being a Prussian I didn't even motion him to move away—he was too quick for me anyway. (I was aye commanded for my footwork in my boxing days). But they're all the same, the blighters. Look at the Cable Company's messengers. Well I draw that back for ever if you did look at them you wouldn't be able to distinguish them from the flower sellers in Wyndham Street. The Perseus that usually blows in wi' my telegrams can produce no bona fide evidence to prove that he is other than a sampan cook's mate. Surely the cable companies have made enough these past four years to enable them to set aside at least \$5.00 a month towards getting uniforms for their coolie messengers. It would pay them in the end for

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Sometimes I think it would be a public boon if we could have a system of pneumatic triggers through which our chins and parcels could be propelled from office to office. The butts of the chins could be drawn from the

system could be extended to our homes, but on gambling game, the average second thoughts that maybe individual would realise that it would work as well. It would be awkward for instance if your wife, while waiting on the hat Madame that had promised the afternoon, got a couple of pounds of Dairy Farm sausages shot into her lap by mistake. We Chins would be limited to the sort of thing just as there are limits to our temper, falling which the lines might never have been written.

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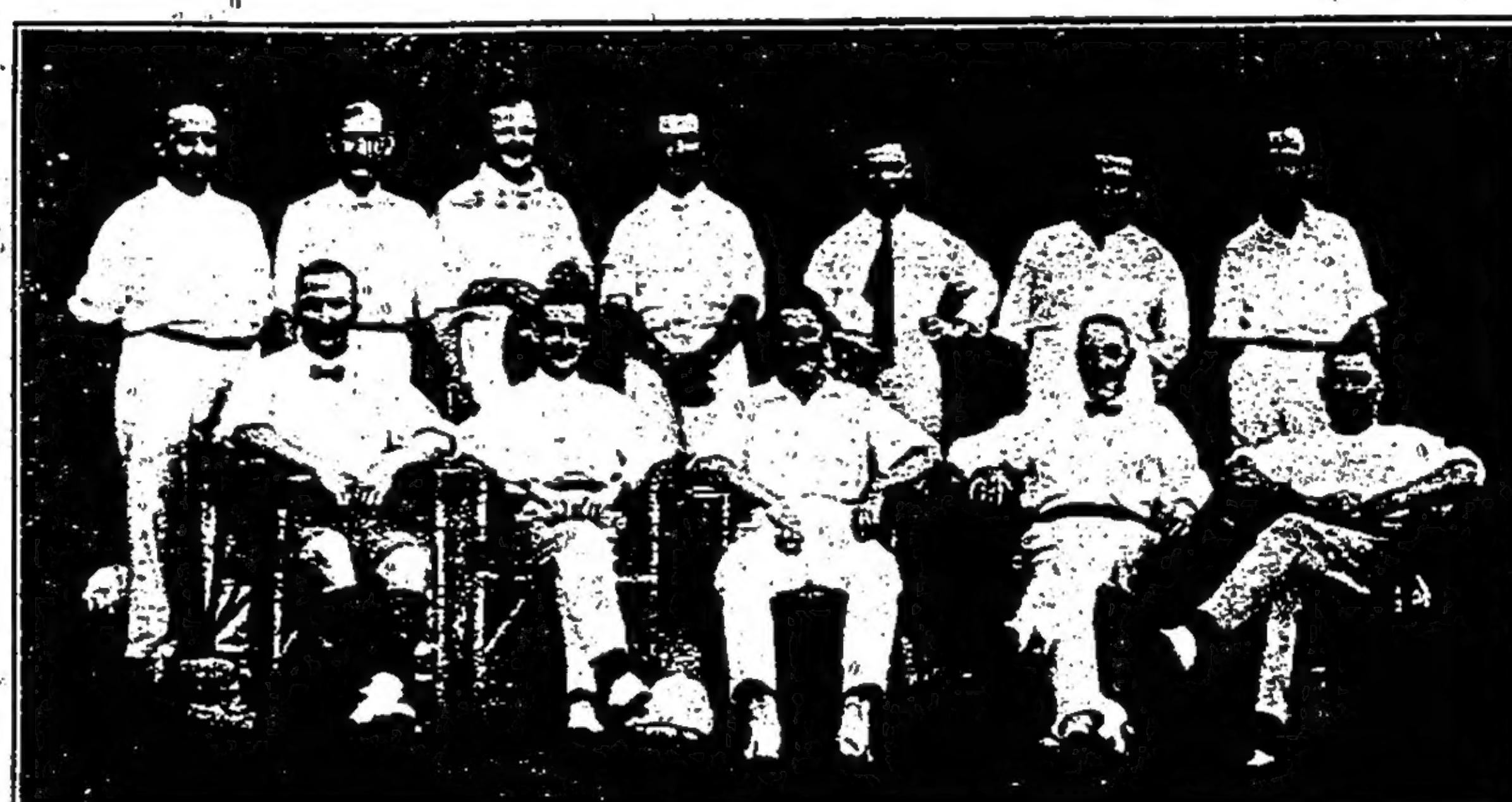
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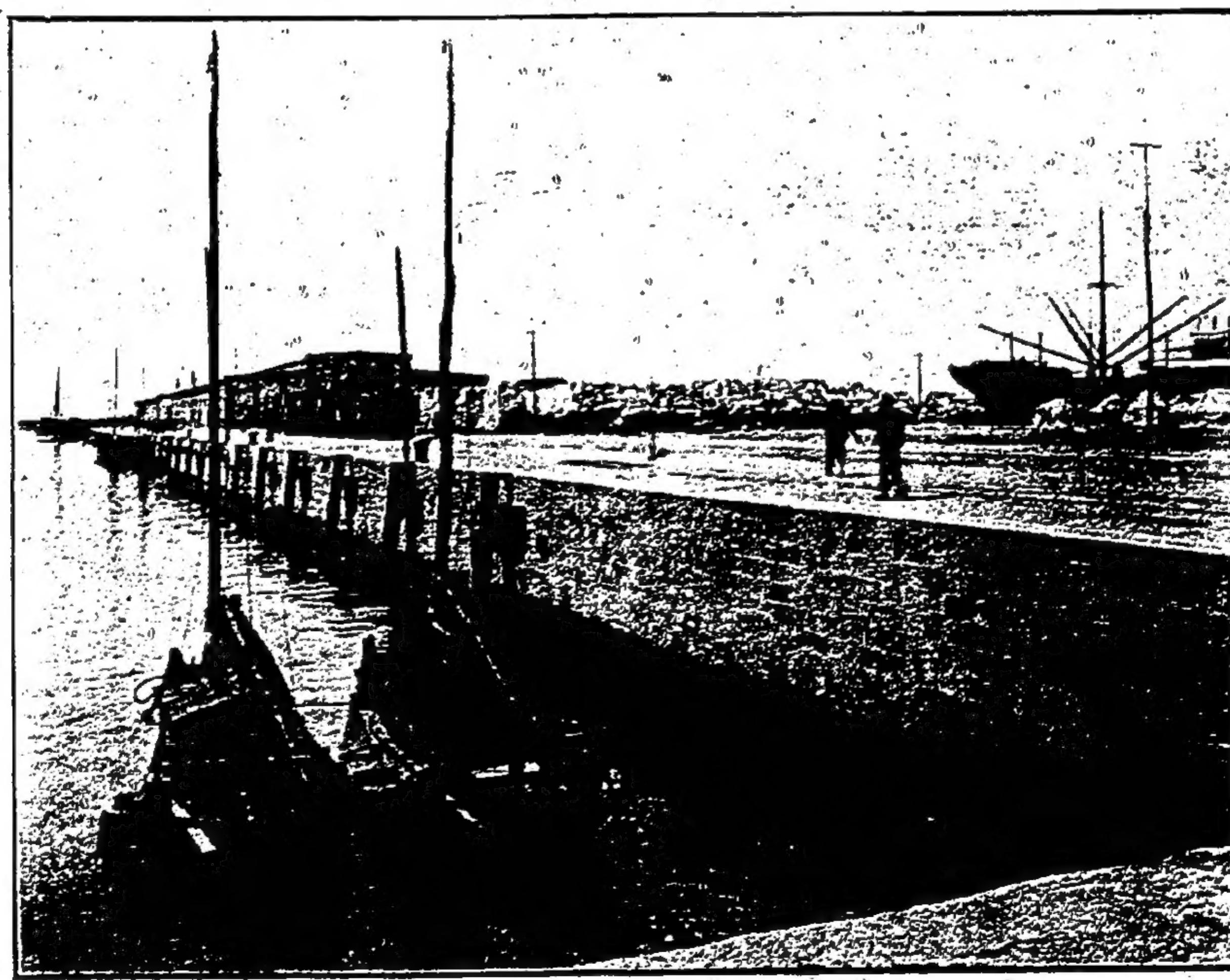
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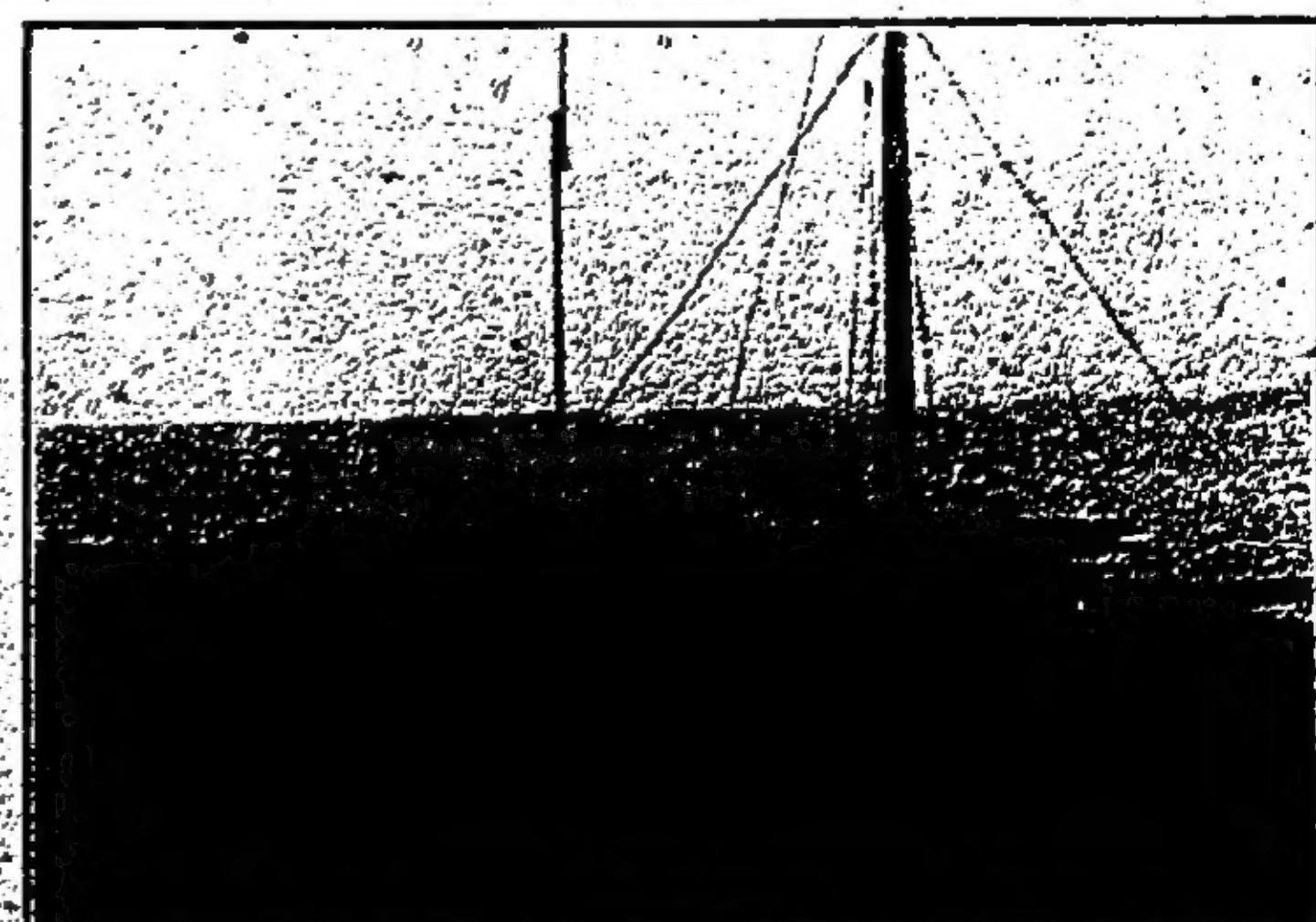
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The Fangtse Coal Mines—General view from the Eas.



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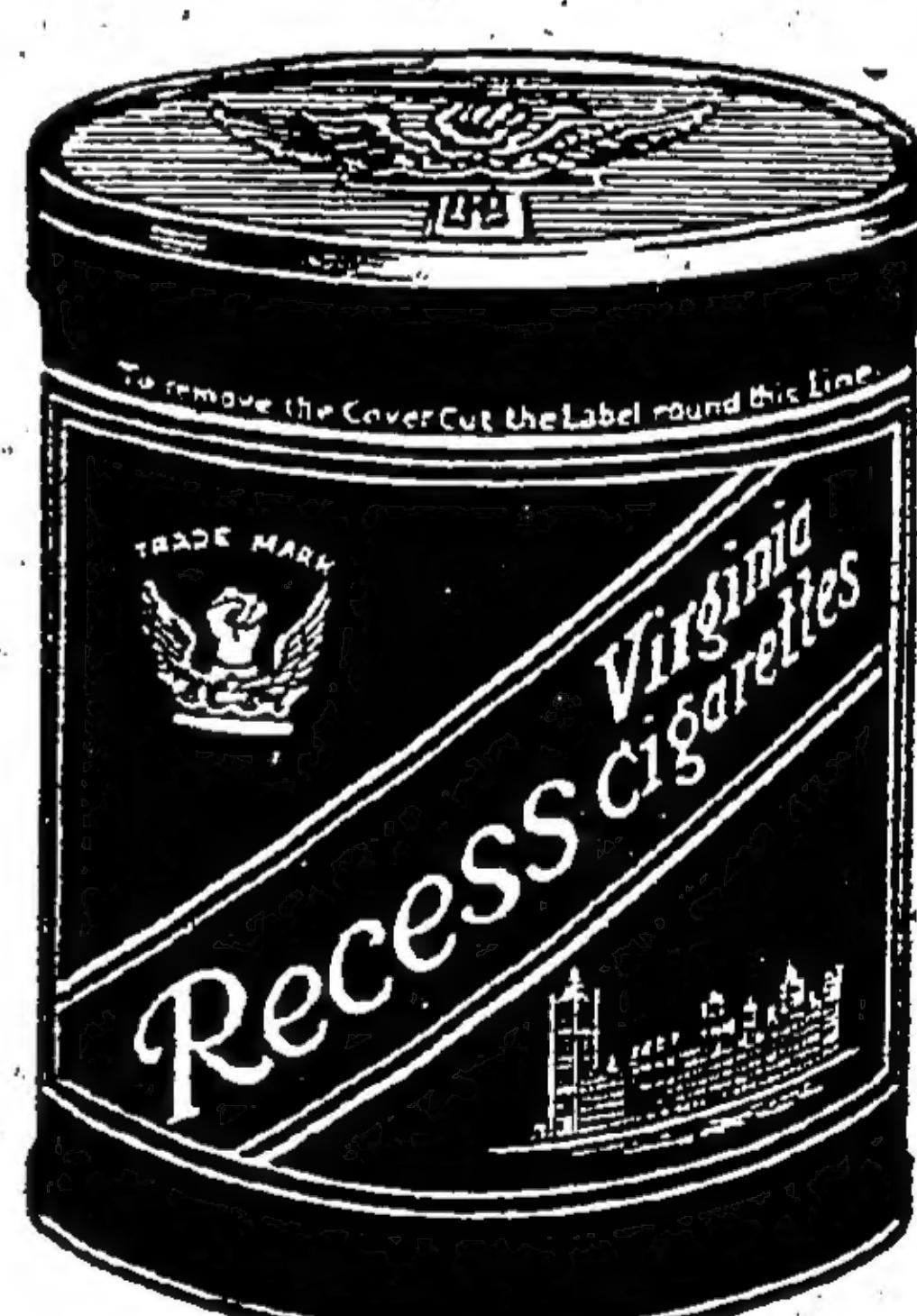
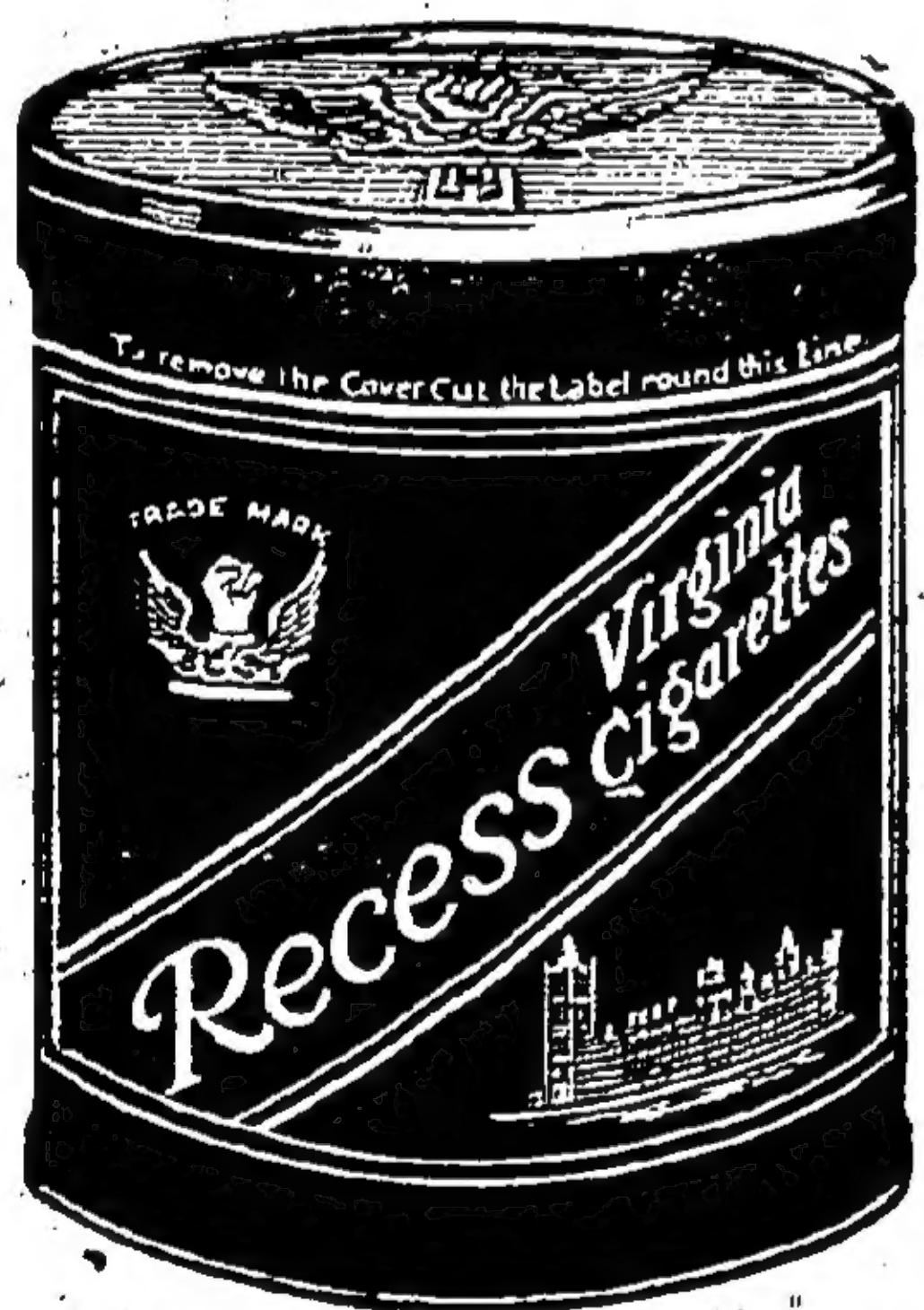
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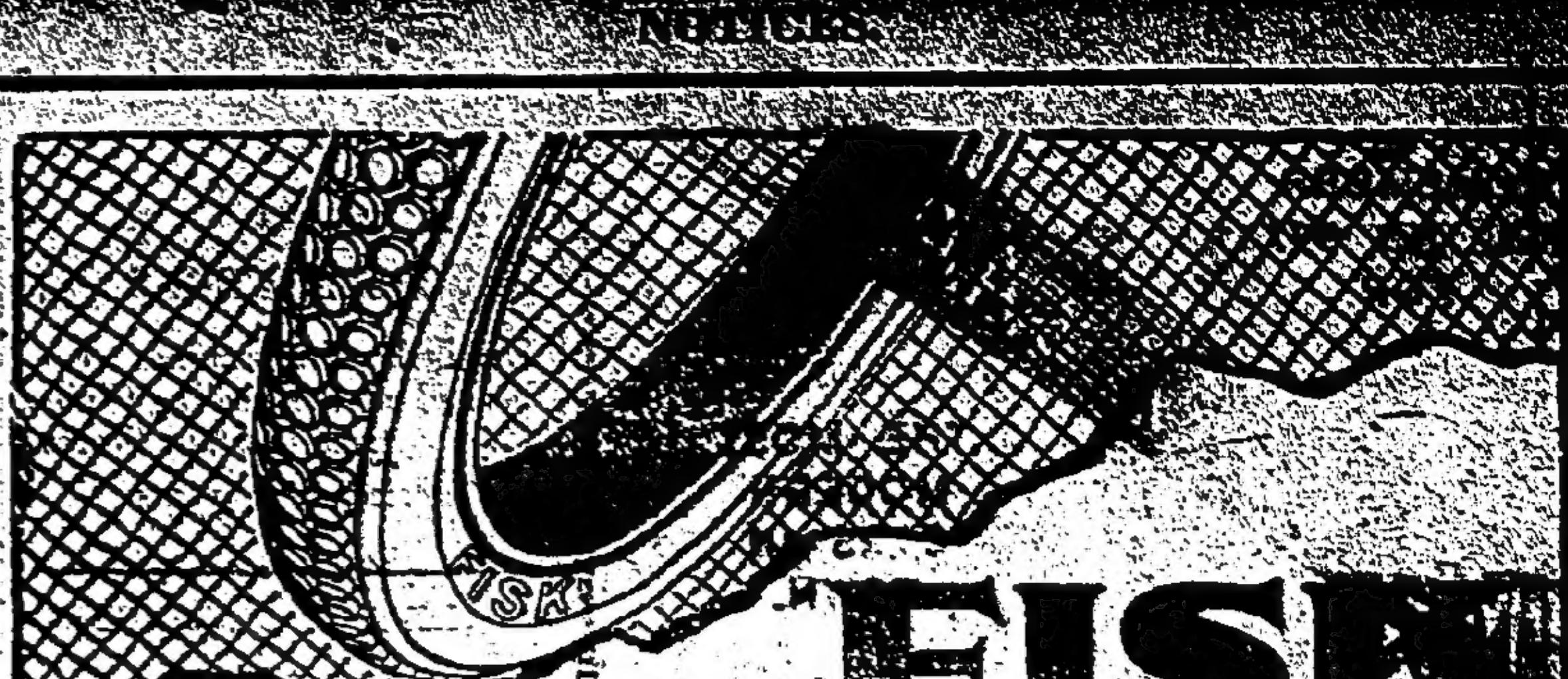
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Inspector Wildin further pressed the matter of the Club effects being put up for auction without notification being given to the members, and maintained that such action was not in order.

Mr. Franks.—You mean to say that every member has an equal right to the effects?

Inspector Wildin.—I most certainly do say that.

Sergeant Arnold.—May I ask the question as to whether we shall see Mr. Ballian here to-night. I think he should be here.

Mr. Franks.—I might say you are here here to tag me. I am not here to answer for what another man has done.

Sergeant Arnold.—I think Mr. Ballian should be here.

Inspector Wildin.—I quite agree.

Inspector Silva Netto expressed the opinion as the accounts were now, as stated by Mr. Franks, in course of preparation he thought that answer should be supported. He would like to express the opinion that the members were not entitled to demand a balance sheet because none of the members paid a subscription for the upkeep of the Club.

Inspector Wildin.—In that case it is a private institution run by a committee.

After further discussion Mr. Franks said that there would be a balance sheet produced in respect to the closing of the Club for the last year's working, probably for the whole period of the working.

Inspector Silva Netto expressed opinion that they were not there to discuss the balance sheet although it had been promised.

It was suggested that it was up to the Committee to produce a balance sheet for 1917.

Mr. Franks said he did not know how long it was since any public subscriptions were received. It must have been some considerable time.

Further discussion took place after which Mr. Franks said that Mr. Jenkins, before he went away appointed a certain committee for the Club and it was his intention to close the Club.

Inspector Wildin again emphasised that it was not right that the Club should be closed without advising the members by calling a meeting and asked what authority there was for stating that the Club was run by honorary members.

Mr. Franks replied that he spoke from his own experience and observation. He had visited the Club practically every night in the week and four nights out of five the majority of men in the bar (there may have been an occasional member in the billiard room) did not belong to the Police Reserves. It was the bar that brought in the majority of the receipts, and the men he saw there were usually not members, mostly soldiers and sailors.

Constable Cartwright asked whether the \$200 a month from the Government was not intended originally for an office.

Mr. Franks replied that the \$200 was towards headquarters as distinct from a Club. It had been incorporated with the Club funds and the whole thing was one. The Club rooms, of course, were also the headquarters.

Inspector Clark said that he had heard that the proprietor of a neighbouring hotel had used pressure in getting the Club closed.

Mr. Franks said that Mr. Jenkins had intended that the Club should be closed.

Inspector Wildin.—Is it proposed that the Police Reserves shall have a set of rooms in the new Central Police Station building?

Mr. Franks.—There is certainly some idea of that.

Inspector Wildin.—That being the case why sell up the furniture of the present Club. Was it not intended that the Police Reserves should have rooms in

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Hongkong, 17th July, 1919.

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Hongkong, 18th July, 1919.

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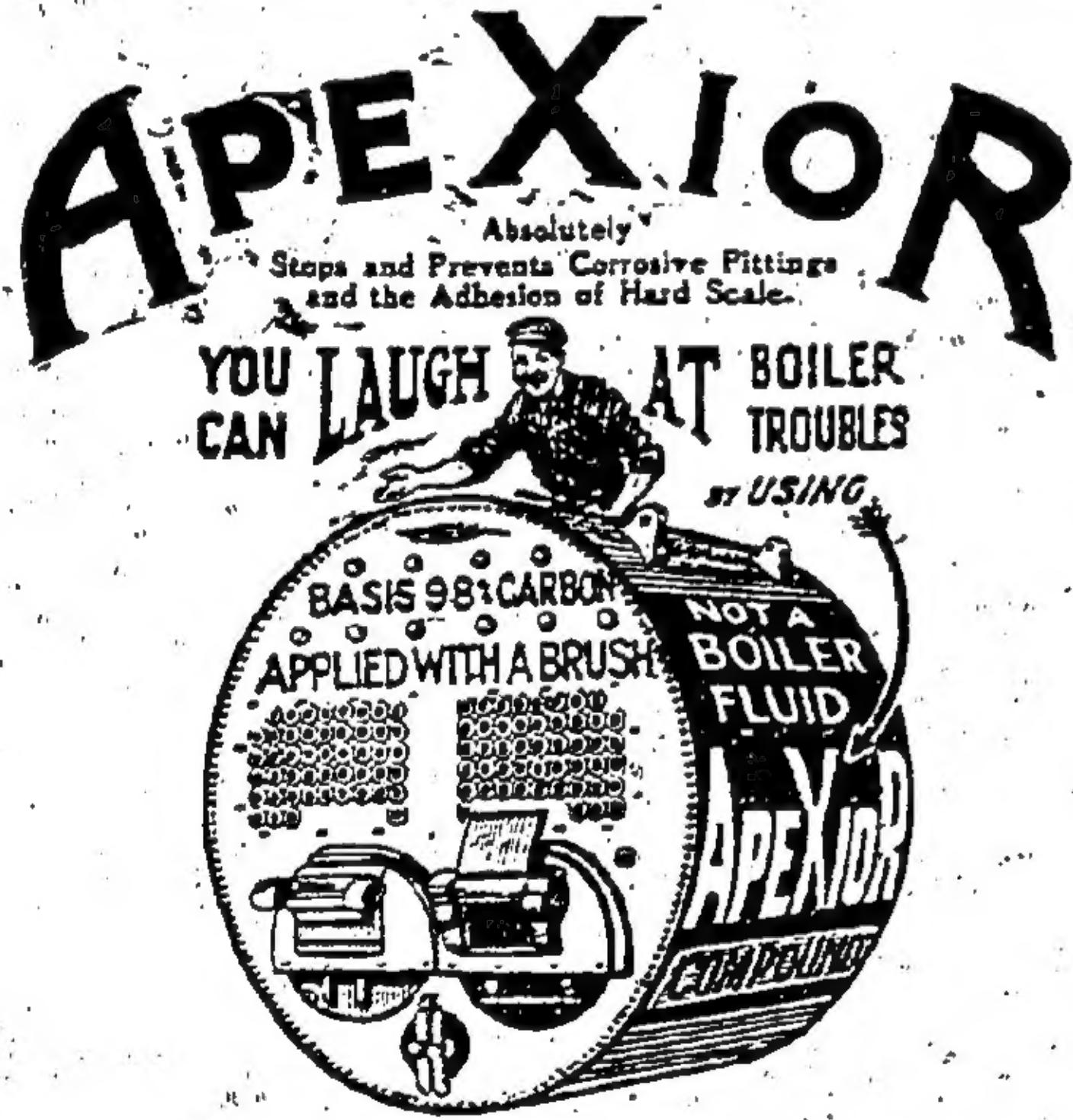
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the financial position of the Club would not warrant the upkeep he thought that they might have done without three of the six rooms. He would ask, before the meeting terminated, to express that it was the feeling that the members regretted they were not consulted before the lease was terminated and that the Club was not to be carried on until the Police Reserve were actually disbanded.

Mr. Franks replied that it was very evident that the last speaker was not present when he made his speech. If the speaker came in after that speech and then started to make comments it was a waste of time. He made it clear that it was not an arrangement of the committee at all. It was by no wish of his or of the committee that the Club should be closed down this month. It was their intention, as he said, to keep on the Club until Mr. Jenkins came back. He wished it had been so for he was sure that gentleman could have explained why the Club was to be closed better than himself, and more forcibly, in a way that would have made them feel a great thing was being done in closing down the Club. The landlords had given them a month's notice and that was the position.

Inspector Eustace said the landlords had given them notice to clear and had said that if it was desired to remain they would want a guarantee from someone really qualified, for at least a year at a much higher rent than at present paid, in fact it would be double.

After further discussion Sergeant Arnold moved that the books be placed in the hands of Messrs Lowe, Bingham and Matthews for audit.

Constable Gerken seconded.

It was also moved that the Club be kept on for a further month and the landlords be asked for an extension of lease for that period, also that another meeting be called.

Mr. Franks said he would not act on the motion. If they thought they had any power or right they were quite welcome to try to force it. The landlords had given them notice as they were entitled to do and the Club had got to be shut down. If it was kept on for a further month they would be in exactly the same position, in fact worse, for they would incur a further month's rent with no Government grant to help meet the extra expenditure. The accounts would be duly presented. The books were now with Mr. da Rosa.

Constable Gerken said they wanted to know the position. They were entitled to be treated as intelligent persons.

Mr. Franks replied that if they were not intelligent enough to understand a blunt statement, that could not be helped. He thought the statement he had made at the beginning was perfectly clear. He did not know whether it was intelligent to the majority but if any other member had not understood, he might refer to the part which was not understood. The position was that they had got no money and they had got to clear out at the end of the month and at the end of the month the Government support would be withdrawn. In that case it was absolutely impossible to go on.

Further discussion then took place with regard to a balance sheet. Inspector D'Almeida expressed the opinion that the members had no legal right to claim a statement of accounts since they undertook no responsibility.

After further discussion it was agreed that the matter of the accounts be left in the hands of Mr. da Rosa and that a balance sheet should be produced. The meeting then terminated.

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